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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/ARCHIVES OPEN HOUSE

There will be an Open House in the Administrative Services/Archives area on Tuesday, February 7, 1994 at 9:00 a.m. and again at 2:00 p.m. The personnel of Administrative Services are: **Richard Koontz,** Coordinator of Administrative Services; **Meseret Gelaw,** Secretary; **Maryann Johnson,** Museum Archivist.

The area of Administrative Services provides legal advice to the Museum. In addition, the safety issues of the Museum are managed from this office. Archives houses all accession records of the Museum's collections, other business records and a vast amount of historical information about the Museum. Archives also acts as the Board of Trustees office of the Museum.

Administrative Services is in the President's suite of offices but is part of the Finance Department. Archives is also located on the ground floor just north of the President's Office. The Open House begins in Richard Koontz's office (at the back of the President's Office). New passports for the 1995 Open House series will be available.

PAYROLL

Payroll Deduction for Contributions to Field Museum

Some employees have requested that they be allowed to make payroll deductions as contributions to The Field Museum, as is currently done for United Way. The Payroll Office is happy to do this upon employee request. If you wish to make a contribution to the Museum by means of a payroll deduction, come to the Personnel Office for the appropriate forms. Contributions may be either one-time gifts or ongoing. Contributions will be accepted for the unrestricted general fund only.

Payroll Reminder

We have noticed that some departments have submitted their time sheets after the 12:00 noon required time frame.

This is a reminder to all departments -- ***PLEASE*** -- *submit your time sheets to the Payroll Office on Friday by 12:00 noon.*

Thank you for your cooperation.

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INVERTEBRATE DIVISION WELCOMES POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW

Alexander Ball, who recently received his Ph.D. from the University of London, has arrived from England to begin a four-month appointment as Postdoctoral Fellow in our Histology Laboratory. Funded as part of **Rüdiger Bieler's** current National Science Foundation grant, Alex will join him, Associates **Tim Collins** and **Paula Mikkelsen**, as well as resident graduate student **Robert Cipriani** in ongoing anatomical/histological research to unravel gastropod phylogenetic systematics.

TOM LAMMERS SPEAKS AT UIC

On Tuesday, 24 January, **Tom Lammers**, Botany, was the invited speaker at the weekly Ecology and Evolution Seminar Series in the Department of Biological Sciences, University of Illinois at Chicago. Tom's presentation, "Patterns of Speciation and Biogeography in the endemic Hawaiian genus *Clermontia* (Campanulaceae: Lobelioideae)", dealt with his recent phylogenetic analysis, which suggested that this genus, contrary to most Hawaiian lineages, had originated on the *youngest* island of the archipelago and subsequently spread to older islands in the chain. This research will be published as a chapter in a new book due out this month from Smithsonian Institution Press: *Hawaiian Biogeography: Evolution on a Hot Spot Archipelago*, edited by Warren L. Wagner and Vicki Funk.

DR. DONALD COLLIER

Dr. Donald Collier, Curator Emeritus in the Department of Anthropology, died in Oakland, California on January 23, 1995, at the age of 83. Dr. Collier was born in Sparkill, New York on May 1, 1911, the son of John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Affairs during the New Deal years. He received a Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Chicago in 1954 and spent most of his career at The Field Museum where he was Curator of Middle American Archeology and Ethnology from 1941 to 1976 when he retired. He served as Chief Curator of the department from 1964 to 1970 and was a lecturer in anthropology at the University of Chicago from 1950 to 1970.

Dr. Collier is known primarily for his contributions to Ecuadoran and Andean archaeology, particularly his delineation of late prehistoric pottery sequences in southern Ecuador and the Viru Valley of Peru where he carried out fieldwork between 1937 and 1956. At The Field Museum Dr. Collier was responsible for the installation of permanent exhibition halls on the archaeology of Mesoamerica and Central America and on the Indians of South America as well as several important temporary exhibitions of American Indian art and culture. Between 1945 and 1965 Dr. Collier participated in the organization and teaching of one of the earliest museology courses in cooperation with the Department of Anthropology, University of Chicago. He was president of the Central States Anthropological Society during 1953 - 1954, and a founding trustee of the Council on Museum Anthropology.

WELCOME TO THE MASTER PLAN MAKERS!

On Thursday, February 2, the architectural firm of Holabird & Root, along with several subcontractors, will begin work on a project to develop an overall space plan, facilities plan, and design strategy for the Museum. The principal focus of the project will be the public areas, especially on the ground floor. Spaces dedicated to research and collections will only be addressed to the extent they are affected by needs in the public and administrative areas. The Master Plan is expected to be completed by May 15.

During their engagement, the consultants will be headquartered in Classroom 4 on the second floor. They will receive visitor passes which will provide them with access to all unrestricted areas of the Museum.

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation.

MEMBERS' NIGHT
Friday, May 5, 1995

To all Museum Department Managers and Supervisors:

There will be a Members' Night planning meeting on Tuesday, February 7, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room I. Members' Night packets and a schedule of deadlines will be distributed. Please send a representative from your department or area to this meeting. If you have any questions, call **Mary Millsap**, Membership Department (x219).

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HAVE YOU FOUND ... MISSING SLIDES?

Have you seen a big black notebook filled with slides of Field Museum exhibits? It is a collection that **Mike Spock** put together; he left it behind in the Program Development office, but it has since disappeared. If you have any information about its whereabouts, please contact **Phyllis Rabineau** (x245).

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CORRECTION: In the January 13 issue of the *Natural News*, we misspelled **Louise Waters'** name. We regret the error.

-- The Editors

FEBRUARY EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES

Gale Asikan	Vending	10 years
Scott Donaldson	Exhibits	5 years
Christine Gross	Anthropology	15 years
Tina Gulley-Augustus	Security Services	10 years
James Hammond	Visitor Services	10 years
Kathryn Marsailes	Exhibits	5 years
Jannie Singleton	Housekeeping	5 years

We extend our deepest sympathies to **Clara Aytch-Baker** on the loss of her father-in-law, and to **Tom Geary** on the loss of his mother. Our thoughts are with you.

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